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President Lisa Borders and  
Members of Atlanta City Council  
City Hall, Suite 2900 South  
68 Mitchell St., S.W.  
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

**RE: Atlanta Housing Authority (AHA) Board of Commissioners Appointment**

Dear President Borders and Members of the Council:

It is a pleasure for me to reappoint Eva Davis to serve as a member of the Atlanta Housing Authority Board of Commissioners on behalf of the City of Atlanta. This reappointment is for a **term of one (1) year**.

I am confident that Ms. Davis will continue serve the Atlanta Housing Authority Board of Commissioners with integrity and dedication.

Sincerely,

Shirley Franklin

## **Biosketch Eva B. Davis**

**Objective:** Leadership role that utilizes experience and skills in the area of community organizing, community social enhancement and program development.

**Summary of Qualifications:** Qualified for over thirty (30) years in both community organizing and private sector employment of Human Services.

**Areas of Expertise:** (a) government/community relations (b) fund raising (c) strategic planning (d) race relations/human rights (e) program planning and development (f) community communications (g) public relations (h) mediation, and (i) fifteen years of legal experience.

**Career Highlight:** (a) assisted in spearheading The redevelopment of East Lake Meadows Public Housing community and negotiated public and private interest (b) Collaborated with former President Jimmy Carter and former Mayor Maynard Jackson to design an enhancement plan for the safety and well being of the East Lake Meadows residents that resulted in HUD appropriating 44.5 million dollars for renovations (c) served as representative in negotiations with Mr. Sang Ho Na, businessman, which resulted in the donation of five acres of land earmarked as a future park for the residents of East Lake Meadows (d) Led non-violent demonstrations with residents, faith community and PTO members which resulted in the community receiving block grant funds for the current Drew park athletic and recreation center. (e) co-authored lawsuit in conjunction with the NAACP for improved race relations in school system via integration (f) led grass root efforts to galvanize 100 percent participating of voter registration (g) successfully designed many resolutions via city council, AHA Board of Commissioners, and HUD to improve housing conditions of community (h) lobbied support from Congress, state, county and cities for program funding which resulted in education, healthcare and human services (i) authored partnership agreements for job training and placement via Goodwill Industries non-traditional work plan that has successfully placed over 200 residents in jobs (j) presented plan for drug rehabilitation of residents and car for children during treatment. This was sponsored through DeKalb County Department of Family and Children Services (k) developed public/private agency think-tank to mentor business developed career plans (l) Civil Rights activist (m) activated strategic political plans within the community for Gubernatorial candidates, Mayoral candidates, state representatives and other elected officials (n) worked with the Mayor of the City of Atlanta, Georgia, the City Council, the Governor of Georgia, members of Congress, and the President of the United States (o) helped organize the first Tenants Association in the City of Atlanta, Georgia in 1967 (p) encouraged Ms. Rende Lewis Glover to make history in Georgia by becoming the first black female to become the Director of the Atlanta Housing Authority, campaigned for Mr. Glover and helped to elect and appoint her to her present position and has been an avid supporter since 1994 (q) negotiated with the Cousins Foundation in which it helped me to create my vision for the New Villages of East Lake.

**Community Relations:** President, East Lake Meadows Resident Association; Chair, East Lake Meadows Redevelopment Committee; Member, East Lake Education Committee; Member, Tax Review Board; member, President Council; Chair, East Lake Meadows TOP Initiative; Member, Morehouse School of Medicine Cancer Awareness Initiative; Member, NPU O, Member, DeKalb County Board of Health.

**Consultant:** Emory University School of Law, community organizing; Cousins Foundation, Inc., planning; Atlanta Housing Authority, off-site housing; DeKalb County Sheriff's Department, drug enforcement; Legal Aid, planning development.

Ms. Davis was educated in Crawfordsville, Georgia and continued her education in Miami, Florida and Athens, Georgia. Ms. Davis worked for Howard Johnson Restaurant, St. Joseph Infirmary and the Atlanta Public Schools. Ms. Davis moved into East Lake Meadows in 1971. She has 8 living children, 3 girls and 5 boys, 36 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren. Ms. Davis has received numerous honors and awards for her outstanding service to the community.